

## Infield Is All That Bothers McCloskey

Chicks Are Well Fortified in Every Position With the Exception of Third Base and Shortstop—Outfield To Be the Strongest Array of Hitters in the Southern League.

BY BOB PIGUE.

All of Manager John McCloskey's worries have vanished into thin air with the exception of the infield problem. The Chick chief is still wondering how he is going to plug the gaps in the shortfield and at third base, and with reporting day only five days in the offing, the triple medicine man is out beating the brush for the two very necessary cogs in the Chicks' first line of defense.

Manager McCloskey will get back to Memphis the last of the week and hopes to bring good tidings to the effect that he has secured the talent he needs. He has a promise from Hugh Jennings, manager of the Detroit Tigers, that the Juggernaut leader will come to his aid and is at present conferring with Jennings at the Tiger training camp in Macon, Ga.

### FIRST AND SECOND FIXED.

The Chicks are all set as to the first and second base positions. On the initial line will be stationed Polk McLary, last season with Birmingham in the International league, where he batted .325. Polk led the International in 1931, hitting .325. McLary is at present with the St. Louis Cardinals working out with Manager Branch Rickey's squad in Brownsville, Tex. McLary has already come to an agreement with the Chicks and is expected to sign a contract when he returns to Memphis sometime this week or early next week. Manager McCloskey on his recent tour paid a visit to Nashville and hoped to bring McLary back with him when he returns to Memphis. McLary comes to the Chicks as a three-year veteran who spent the last two seasons with the St. Louis Cardinals and the Birmingham franchise and played.

On second base the veteran Jack Lewis is a fixture and no further tinkering is necessary. For Jacques is as steady as a South Sea island. He will be in there every day doing his best, which is good enough to make him the premier keystone in the Chicks' infield. Jack's batting works no fences, but he manages to work a full quota of homers, and runs and RBI. He served as captain of the Tribe last season and handled the team well when there was.

But the shortstop and last station are as bare as Mother Hubbard's cupboard. Manager McCloskey will be obliged to use Class B men in these positions as he already has nine Class A men on the club, which is the limit allowed in the Southern. It may be that Jack Lewis will be shifted to the last station, and a new shortstop man inserted. Lewis can cover the final base well, and as it is a very important position, it may be given the responsible task.

### A 300 OUTFIELD.

Beyond question the Chick 1932 outfield is going to be the strongest in the Southern league. A glance at the roster of the different Southern clubs fails to reveal any such fly-catchers who can stack up with Yale Sloan, Pug Griffin and Ham Hyatt. The last named catcher-batter has not yet been definitely hooked, but the deal has progressed to such an extent that only an earthquake can prevent it going through. Hyatt is the property of the Toledo club of the American association and he has a preference to play with Memphis and demands a transfer, refusing to play for Toledo. Sloan is a club this year. Hyatt will play high, but he'll be worth the money. He can play on first, in the outfield or even behind the bat. His fence-busting ability is already well remembered by Memphis fans.

Pug Griffin is expected to have a good year as one of the Tribe's lead-off men. Pug has played the outfield before, but prefers to serve as a first baseman. However, he is not qualified as a doorman, and his work last season around the first sack was ragged at the edges and spotted with errors of critical stages. As he is a good hitter, he will be expected to deliver quite acceptably.

Yale Sloan is known quantity to Memphis fans for he served with Nashville several seasons ago and possesses the ability to serve as a first baseman with a regularity that is commendable to break many an aspiring hurler's heart. Sloan is a sure thing. If he uses any judgment in base-running, he will be a valuable asset to the Chicks.

Let them come and breed. Sportsmen, don't permit the millions of miles to shoot the baron of sports into you. Don't transgress by spring shooting. Sit steady in the boat and let the birds come to you. The choice is in the hands of the sportsman. Many sportsmen have been shown in the past that the States and Canada asking for answers on the present status of the "border bird law" prior to the spring season. There has been no United States supreme court decision even an advisory opinion of the court, and no convictions under the treaty have been secured in the lower court. The Canada-Cuba treaty of 1916, which was signed in 1916, allowing species of migratory birds in their different families were prohibited from spring shooting.

Judge Van Vleetburg of Kansas City, Mo., on March 9, 1932, rendered a decision in the case of the United States v. Van Vleetburg, which was a case for shooting migratory birds contrary to the provisions of the treaty. At Kansas City, Mo., on March 9, 1932, the state of Missouri, was one of the staff of legal defense for the accused. A fight was made against the constitutionality of the treaty and a federal grand jury was asked to prevent the state game warden from shooting in Missouri. Judge Van Vleetburg held the treaty valid and refused to issue a restraining order. Being under arrest, it is alleged, was arrested on March 9, 1932, with a party of friends, for violation of the federal law, and was fined \$100 and costs, and a bond of \$100,000, pending trial.

This important action is a golden opportunity to test the validity of the migratory treaty. Being under arrest, it is his privilege to demand an immediate trial. If found guilty in the lower court, an appeal could be taken within a few days, and a final decision, for which millions of sportsmen have waited for many years. The final decision could be obtained by Mr. McCloskey, a decision which all good sportsmen will accept. The final decision, Mr. Frank, you are the logical "sportsman's move" to lead us from the legal wilderness and jungle, having by United States supreme court decision, an open trail which will guide all hunters into the zone of safety. If the migratory treaty should be declared bad law, observing sportsmen will lose the occasion of spring shooting good sense in the perpetration of wild bird life. More migratory birds were found in every locality last fall than have been seen for many years. This has been true only in special instances, the answer would have been

### Let's Match Cloven Quince With Old Samuel Langford

WHEELING, March 10.—Friedrich Wilhelm, German crown prince, is now a pretty good scrapper, says W. Langford, a British boxer, who has been here twice a week from Amsterdam to give a lesson in boxing to the crown prince. The prince is a member of the paramilitary corps which will be fought for by Bill Thewatt, Hy Fowler, Tiny Goodbird and Pat Albright.

One should be up around the front corner behind base-stealers. The Chicks have a wealth of material which is going to make it hard for Manager McCloskey to decide. The Chick leader plans to carry two left-handers, Tom Blodgett and Hugh Cavanaugh. The latter will play left field, one of whom will be Harry Vance, who was recently acquired from the Sacramento. The other two pitching berths will be fought for by Bill Thewatt, Hy Fowler, Tiny Goodbird and Pat Albright.

Smith may have to be disposed of to get the club in the class A limit, and in that event Bill will have the job of second-stringer.

### TICKETS ARE SENT.

Tom Watkins, Chick president, sent a roll of dough that would make a roll of dough Tuesday afternoon, buying tickets for the Tribe to play against the Tribesmen. As the players are due to report Monday, Watkins decided to supply the necessary transportation immediately as there would be no delay, and accordingly he sent the following tickets one-way cushion-coupons to Memphis:

Catchers—Red Smith, Logansport, Ind.; George Blodgett, Granite City, Ill.; Gilbert Myers, St. Louis, Mo.; and Charles Hill, Cleveland, Ohio. Pitchers—Tiny Goodbird, Mass.; Tom Blodgett, Irving, Kan.; Hy Fowler, Lawrence, Tenn.; Bill Thewatt, Poplarville, Miss.; Pat Albright, Cleveland, Ohio; and Harry Vance, Hastings, Neb. Infielders—Jack Lewis, Steubenville, Ohio; Harry Cavanaugh, Cincinnati, Ohio; Bud Meyer, Paducah, Ky.; and Carl Manda, Artesia, N. M. Outfielders—Francis Griffin, Louisville, Mo.; Andy High, St. Louis, Mo.; Pat Webb, Ravenscroft, Tenn.; and Yale Sloan, Macon, Ga.

In the foregoing list are the names of Carl Manda, third baseman, and Andy High, first baseman, who are not believed to be either sold or traded. High will not be retained.

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The army plans include athletic competition trials open to all officers and non-commissioned officers of the army to be held at each camp, post and station throughout the country. These local trials will be followed by departmental games in which the winners of minor events will meet in competition. The departmental winners will be invited to the army championship games after which the winners will be placed in charge of a camp of competitive training for special preparation for the Olympic trials to be held in Boston early in July.

Several arrangements will be made along somewhat similar lines for eliminations in fencing, shooting and horseback riding.

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### Lightweight King Of Australia Set For Bout In U. S.



LEW EDWARDS.

Lew Edwards, lightweight champion of Australia, recently arrived in the United States and under the management of Tom Andrews, Milwaukee, will be seeking bouts with the United States lightweights in the hope of eventually getting a match with Benny Leonard.

### YAZOO CITY MAY ENTER DELTA RING

Six Clubs Will Be Represented in New Organization.

YAZOO CITY, Miss., March 10.—(AP)—As one of the cities not represented when the baseball enthusiasts of the Delta section of the state met at Greenwood recently, Yazoo City is to have another opportunity to enter the league. The Yazoo City baseball club, which will enter the league, is a nifty team at short last season.

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### GREB BEATS TURNER.

AKRON, O., March 10.—Harry Greb of Pittsburgh, Pa., was given the newspaper decision over Ray Turner of New York, in a 12-round bout here last night. The men are light heavyweights.

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## Redlegs Expected To Set Fast Pace

Moran Will Enter Campaign With Team Intact and Outfit Looks To Be Best in the League.

NEW YORK, March 10.—Though Harry Herman and Manager Patrick Moran have been having a lot of trouble lining up the world's champions for the 1932 campaign on account of contractual differences, it is practically certain that the Cincinnati club will look much the same in April as it does last October in the world's series.

Moran and his staff are in training at Miami, Fla., several of the more stubborn prima donnas among the Reds are still demanding the increase in salary over what they want for playing in the spring. Moran and his staff are in training at Miami, Fla., several of the more stubborn prima donnas among the Reds are still demanding the increase in salary over what they want for playing in the spring.

Sir Patrick has had little to worry about aside from the hotouts. Last October he announced that he expected to put an unchanged train back into the 1932 race and with the exception of a young player or two who may win a trial, the Reds will look natural enough when they get on to the diamond for the opening game against the Cubs on their home field.

It will be highly hard for any youngster to break into the regular lineup of the Reds. Moran has constructed a winning combination and no one could blame him for putting it on it unless some young player of phenomenal ability should bolt up among the scrubs.

### Two Pitchers.

The pitching corps of the world's champions has been augmented by the addition of two youngsters—Charles Steers and Linwood Smith—who will probably be looked over by Moran and his staff. Steers is a right-handed pitcher, who is going to be used as a pitcher again this season unless Patrick's outfit gets badly cramped up. Wingo, Bill Hardin and Nick Allen will do the backstopping for the Reds once again and they are a hard-working, efficient trio. The infield with Daubert, Koff and Grob doing regular turns at first, second, short and third, and Schleier and Sam Crane playing utility roles is as strong as any in the league. The outfield with Hamilton, Harry Vardon (South Herts), the holder of the open championship, will probably visit America for the third time. James Brad (Walton Heath) has definitely decided not to leave England, but two other well-known professionals will probably join the club.

This will be Mitchell's first visit to the states. Vardon won the American open championship at Wheaton, Ill., in 1908 with J. H. Taylor (Mid-Surrey) as runner-up. Vardon, in company with E. Ray (Oxhey) visited America in 1913 and took part in the memorabilia championship at Brookline, Mass. They tied with Francis Oulmet for the title, who won a sensational victory in the playoff. Francis toured America for several years when he won the open championship of Pennsylvania.

The Giants and Cubs, who gave the Reds the hardest fight for position last summer, will both be back, adding to their heels again next April, providing Moran's boys get away on the right foot, and start out in front of the field, as they should do. But the Giants do not look as dangerous this year as they did last spring, and the Cubs, though they may get better

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## Bantams to Feature Next Fistic Show

Following Monday night's corking lightweight attraction Billy Haack will present a bantamweight show of even higher merit next week at the Southern A. C. In the main event of the evening Harry Bramer, of Kansas City, meets Kid Wolfe, of Cleveland.

Bramer is under the management of Bert Connors and claims the sparkling record of fifty successive victories in many states. His bout with Wolfe will mark his first appearance in action in a Memphis ring though he was introduced two weeks ago to local fans.

His last Southern performance of note was staged at the expense of Nate Jackson of Oklahoma City. Nate and Harry stepped off in rounds in Hot Springs and at the bell Nate was undecided as to whether he had fought an octopus or just one of the fastest bantams in the ring.

Connors is very optimistic over prospects in the Wolfe bout and asserts that Bramer will slide through with flying colors.

The Kid has been billed highly in these parts and has faced every good bantam known to Dixie bugs. Among his favorite opponents is Joe Burnett who decisively defeated Bernie High in an eight-round bout here.

Cleveland fans think no more of Wolfe than they do of Trip Speaker. They have abiding faith in his ability to knock off whatever steps forth and will probably forward a bundle of cash to wager on the outcome.

Regardless of how it terminates it is practically safe to prophesy that as much action will be peeled off Monday night has been displayed in any other bout of the year.

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# We've Bottled Up the Pirates of Business

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